

June Court

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constant Disherone of Somerset ss Frederick absolute Lord and proprie of the provinces of maryland
commissione of said vint. Acolon Lord Baron of Prattmore &c. Souther Dashiel, Thomas Dashiel,
John Caldwell and William Venables of Somers County Gentleman greeting know ye that we have
appointed you or any three or two of you to be commissioners to examine Evidence on behalf of a
certain Constant Disherone of Somers County in relation to the bounds of a Tract of Land
called Ashells Choice we therefore require you or any three or two of you at some time and place as
to you or any three or two of you shall seem convenient you meet on the afo^d Land called Ashells
choice you find having taken your oaths on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God and there
cause to come before you or any three or two of you all such Persons as shall be to you or any
three or two of you Nominated by this said complaint or Defendant that you or any three or two
of you examine them upon their corporall oaths to be by you or any three or two of you adme-
nited on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God in the presence of the complainant or Def^t if any
touching the truth or remembrance of their knowledge or any thing that may relate to
the cause afo^d that reducing the several depositions into writing you send the same with
this our commission under your or any three or two of your hands & seals to us to our coun-
try court of Somers with all convenient speed witness Sampson Whately Esq^r one of
our Justices of our said court the 19th day of March in the 12th year of our dominion of Arms
Dated 1763

And now to wit at a court of his Lordship held at Prince's Towne the third Tuesday of
June being the Twenty-first day of the same Month Anno Domⁱ one thousand seven hundred and Sixty
three before the Justices thereof came Souther Dashiel and Thomas Dashiel two of the Gentlemen
Nominated in the within commission returned the same Endorsed in manner following with
the several depositions thereto annexed

May 15th 1763 Then came Souther Dashiel before me subscriber and was qualified to execute the
within commission according to Law — — — — — Thos Holbrook

May 12th 1763 Then was Thomas Dashiel qualified to execute the within commission accord-
ing to Law before — — — — — Thos Holbrook

A deposition of a witness taken on the Land called Ashells Choice on behalf of Con-
stant Disherone ^{the 20th day of June 1763}

The Deposition of William Stevens aged sixtys two years or thereabouts being sworn on
the holy Evangelists of Almighty God with that near thirty years agoe he was at a
survey of the Land called Ashells choice then in the possession of John Disherone when
the surveyor ran a course & distance that stood very near a swamp oak and sundry
people who were then present told the S^r Stevens that the afo^d Oak was the second boun-
dary of the afores^d land and that then a living tree but is now dead the stump of which tree is
the same that he showed us where is now sett up a lightwood post and further with that
he has been at this tree sundry times since the afo^d survey whilst the T^r tree was living and
since it has been dead and that he perfectly remembers that the afo^d oak was marked on four sides
but does not know how many notches but believes it was regularly marked and further with that
We doe hereby certifie that after being qualified to execute the above commiss^r William Stevens
ion and affixing up advertisements at the parish church and most publick places of the
county where in the afores^d Land lieth agreeable to Law we met on the said Land agreeable
to the Notice given and then and there took the above Deposition witness our hands and seals
this 20th day of June 1763

Souther Dashiel Sub
Tho Dashiel Seal

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